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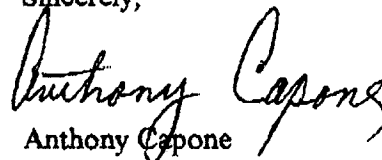
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I want to use this opportunity to give my views on the settlement that was recently concluded between Microsoft and the Justice Department. I believe this settlement is fair and should be implemented as soon as the comment period ends.

Microsoft has agreed to design future versions of Windows that will include a mechanism to make it easy for computer makers, consumers and software developers to promote non-Microsoft software within Windows. With this mechanism, consumers will have the freedom to choose to change their computer's configuration at any time. So if consumers do not like the products made by Microsoft, they will be able to make their feelings known through their actions.

Hopefully with your lead in support of concluding this case, the nine states that have not joined the settlement will change their positions. These states could make better use of their resources, just like the federal government, in settling this case as quickly as possible. Thank you for this opportunity to make my feelings known.

Sincerely,


Anthony Capone

cc: Senator Rick Santorum